

*****October 26, 2020*****

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a regular meeting electronically on Monday, October 26, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Those present were:

Those present were: Mayor Dan Landrum
Councilmember Cheryl Graham
Councilmember Susannah Murdock

Also present were: Town Manager Boyd Veal
Town Attorney Harry Cash
Finance Director/Town Recorder Carol White

Mayor Landrum led the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

Citizen Comments

Mayor Landrum asked if there were any requests to address the Council.

Claire Griesinger, Carriage Hill Dr, asked several questions related to timely posting of items on the Town's website. Ms. Griesinger also asked about adding contact information for members of Town Boards.

David Cantrell, South Drive, speaking as the BZA Chairman, provided the Council with an update of BZA activities. He provided details of 2 recent requests that the BZA had denied, one of which was ultimately approved after significant modification.

There being no further requests, the meeting resumed.

Ordinances

1. "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 2, CHAPTER 13, SECTION 2-1302 OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE TO EXPAND THE TOWN PERSONNEL COMMITTEE FROM FIVE (5) MEMBERS TO SEVEN (7) MEMBERS."

Councilmember Graham made a motion to deny the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilmember Murdock seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, with all Councilmembers present voting to deny the second reading of the Ordinance.

Resolutions

1. "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ANGELA BANDY AS A MEMBER OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN PERSONNEL COMMITTEE."

Mayor Landrum made a motion to approve the Resolution adding that the term will expire on 12/31/2022. Councilmember Murdock seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, with all Councilmembers present voting in favor of approving the Resolution.

2. "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING KATHRYN CORLEY AS A MEMBER OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN PERSONNEL COMMITTEE."

Councilmember Murdock made a motion to approve the Resolution adding that the term will expire on 12/31/2021. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, with all Councilmembers present voting in favor of approving the Resolution.

3. "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELIZABETH BAKER AS A MEMBER OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN PERSONNEL COMMITTEE."

Councilmember Murdock made a motion to approve the Resolution adding that the term will expire on 12/31/2021. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, with all Councilmembers present voting in favor of approving the Resolution.

Manager's Report

Mr. Veal informed the Council that he and staff are working on the Fire and Police pay comparisons. He said that the Town is also participating in the Burris Thompson Company public safety salary study.

Mr. Veal said the Local Parks and Recreation Funding (LPRF) project will begin in January.

Mr. Veal informed the Council that the Signal Mountain Youth Baseball donated \$3,000 for lighting at Hedges Fields. He said the Town will add \$1,500 for the project.

Mr. Veal said the Library addition is moving forward with the Architect having provided a set of "50% plans" for review.

Mr. Veal said he has completed 16 hours of CMFO continuing education training.

Mr. Veal said he will be at the City Managers conference November 3rd through November 5th.

Mr. Veal informed the Council that the access and easement issues with property owners adjacent to Fern Trail have been resolved and the drainage project is moving forward.

Mr. Veal said the easement request on Windy Way has been withdrawn.

Other Business

a. **Communications and reports from the Mayor/Council.**

Mayor Landrum said the Library has received drawing of the proposed addition. He said the Tinker Ma presentation included colors and textures to be used on the design finish and the color palette was pleasant.

Mayor Landrum said that all of Ms. Griesinger's questions about the web site are mainly due to the antiquated web and e-mail site. Mayor Landrum asked Mr. Veal to put together a committee to see what web and e-mail features and functions are lacking/needed. Mr. Veal said he will start with a focus meeting with Department Heads to look at the needs of the departments. Mayor Landrum suggested getting citizen input.

Councilmember Murdock asked about the current practice regarding grace periods for repayment of water account. Mr. Veal reminded the Council that the Town is not currently assessing any late fees, or performing any disconnection of service for non-payment. After further discussion, Council agreed to postpone any action until the next meeting. Staff with bring back some information about the extent of this matter.

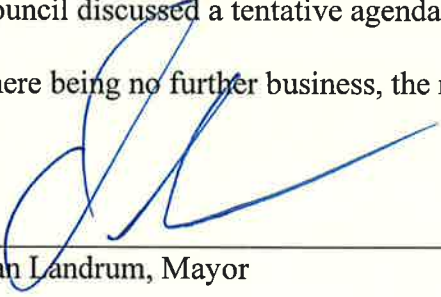
b. **Reports from Committees or Boards.** None

c. **Other.** None

Tentative Agenda

Council discussed a tentative agenda for the November 9, 2020 meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.



Dan Landrum, Mayor



Recorder